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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 17 November 1969

DD/I reported that for the moment the NSC is scheduled to meet on 18 November at 1000, with the Director briefing on CBW.

Godfrey attributed the sabotaging of two Israeli cargo vessels in Eilat harbor to two Egyptian frogmen. He went on to forecast sharp Israeli retaliation.

Godfrey called attention to today's confrontation in the Indian Parliament and commented that Indira Gandhi could win this struggle if she were to rely on some fifty Communist votes. He added that, if this matter is settled in favor of Mrs. Gandhi in this fashion, the Communists will then be in a position to engage in subtle blackmail of the Prime Minister on various issues in the future. In response to the Director's question D/ONE commented that there is no Estimate on India scheduled for the near future but that one might be worth trying.

D/ONE recalled the Director's having questioned the distribution of the recently completed Estimate on Nasser. He reported that the distribution of Estimates is pegged to various geographic lists drawn up and approved by USIB.

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DD/S briefly commented that the Agency encountered no problem in connection with this past weekend's antiwar activities.

Maury reported that Carver's session with Congressmen Riegle and McCloskey last Friday went extremely well and was exclusively devoted to a briefing on the North Vietnamese situation. He doubted that this will dissipate their interest and said that there might be a return visit for a briefing on the situation in South Vietnam.

Maury reported that Congressmen John Marsh and Burt Talcott of the House Appropriations Committee have expressed an interest in receiving an Agency briefing. Maury went on to suggest that they be invited to have breakfast here. The Director asked Maury either to brief Chairman Mahon on this request or to have the requesters receive Chairman Mahon's prior understanding and approval before making any commitments.

Maury briefed on having touched base with two congressmen who had questioned what plans, if any, exist in the Office of Emergency Preparedness for appropriate civil defense shelters for congressmen.

Maury reported that our retirement legislation is scheduled for consideration tomorrow by the House Armed Services Committee. The Director asked that General Cushman and the Executive Director both appear.

The Director noted receipt of a written request from Senator John Sherman Cooper to grant to his staff assistant, William Miller, various T-KH clearances. The Director asked Maury to contact Bryce Harlow to explain existing clearance procedures and to determine whether we can anticipate similar requests in the future for Congressional staff assistants.

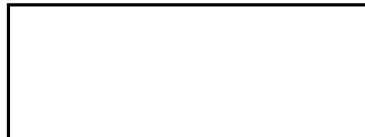
The Director mentioned that he had received and sent to the DD/S&T the NRO budget. He recalled the anticipated

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cut in the NRP and asked that the DD/S&T and NIPE get together on this matter.

The Director asked for and received a fill-in which partially accounted for the confusion over the weekend in seeking to firm up his briefing schedule for this morning.



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